

AGENDA

STATE OF CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ELECTROLOGISTS

Wednesday, February 15, 2011
9:30 AM

Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut
Second Floor, Conference Room "F"

Call to Order

I. Minutes

Review and approve minutes from the December 14, 2011 meeting.

II. Chair Updates

III. Department of Public Health Updates

- A. Investigations Update - *Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor*
- B. Examinations Update - *Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Examination Analyst*

IV. Old Business

- A. Use of Laser by Electrologists
Update on Scope of Practice Determination – Jennifer Filippone, DPH
- B. Qualifications for Examiners

V. New Business

Electrology Training Program – Request for Approval
Presented by Deborah M. Brown, Health Program Assistant

Adjournment

**MINUTES
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Board members present: Tatiana D. Eirmann, Esq., Chairperson
 Lina Haralambous, BS, CPE
 Arlene Romajas, LPN, CPE
 Jeanne Scranton-Lloyd
 Alicia D. Zalka, MD – via telephone

ALSO PRESENT: Alfreda Gaither, Hearing Officer
 Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison
 Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor
 Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Examination Analyst
 Sue McLain; Jayne F. Romero; Karren Kolenda;
 Donna Crump; Susan L. McClain; Marta Cuminotto

Call to Order

Ms. Eirmann called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

I. Minutes

Following a motion made by Dr. Zalka and seconded by Ms. Romajas, the minutes of the September 14, 2011 meeting were approved unanimously.

II. Chair Updates

Ms. Eirmann said she had looked into possible grounds to remove Ms. Haralambous from the Board. Ms. Eirmann said there would be no discussion on the matter at this time, however, Ms. Eirmann went on to state that she had contacted the State Attorney General regarding the removal of Ms. Haralambous. Ms. Eirmann stated the Office of the Attorney General would not get involved in the matter. Ms. Eirmann went on to cite attendance as grounds for Ms. Haralambous removal, specifically referring to the September meeting. Ms. Haralambous informed the Board that the meeting had been rescheduled to a date she was unavailable, as she had communicated her availability to the Board and Jeffery Kardys, Board Liaison, prior to the reschedule. Ms. Eirmann stated that no further action regarding attendance would be taken at this time.

Ms. Eirmann went on to ask the Board and all parties present if there were any way to remove a Board member, to which there was no reply. Ms. Eirmann went on to state that Ms. Haralambous had acted against the will of the Board regarding the support of laser hair removal. Ms. Haralambous pointed out that any and all action taken by Ms. Haralambous in the pursuit of laser hair removal legislation was independent of her responsibility and affiliation with the State of Connecticut Board of Examiners of Electrologists; rather Ms. Haralambous was representing herself, a licensed and practicing electrologist. Ms. Haralambous went on to state that in 2007 the Board, Ms. Eirmann included, unanimously decided to support the use of laser by electrologists. Ms. Eirmann stated she would not review the minutes of a previous meeting.

III. Department of Public Health Updates

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin said there are no current investigations involving electrologists at this time.

B. Examinations Update

Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Examination Analyst, reported that four candidates took the examination, two each for the practical and written portions; the results of which are still pending.

IV. Old Business

A. Use of Laser by Electrologists

Ms. Eirmann called for a revote on the issue of laser. There was no discussion, no motion and no second. The vote was 4 to 1 with Ms. Haralambous in favor of laser and the other four members, Ms. Eirmann, Ms. Romajas, Ms. Scranton-Lloyd, and Dr. Zalka (via telephone) opposed. Ms. Eirmann said this vote supersedes any previous action. Subsequent to the vote Ms. Cuminotto expressed confusion as to whether the vote had resulted in favor or against recommending laser use by electrologists to the DPH. Ms. Romero also questioned the actions of the Board and the intent and reasoning behind the resulting vote. Ms. Eirmann stated this issue was not up for further discussion. Mr. Kardys said the purpose of the vote is to give Board members an opportunity to express their opinion, not to establish a scope of practice.

B. Qualifications for Examiners

There has been no response from the Attorney General's Office at this time.

C. Schedule Meeting dates for 2012.

Board members agreed to meet on the following dates for 2012:
February 15 (snow date March 7); May 23; September 12; November 7.

V. Adjournment

Following a motion made by Ms. Romajas and seconded by Dr. Zalka and a unanimous vote the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lina Haralambous, BS, CPE